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PRICE THREE CENTS

HOOK NIGHT WAS GREAT SUCCESS

Performances Well Received and Only Three Men Get the Hook

ORCHESTRA MAKES HIT

Parodies -- Popular Songs and Original Sketches Take with Large Audience

Hook Night was a decided success and the variety of stunts on the program was thoroughly appreciated by the largest audience that has been present at any of the Friday evening entertainments. Almost all the performances were good and the hook was seldom in evidence:

Music by the new Tech orchestra was the first number on the program.

C. C. Hield 1910, sang some songs at the piano and was called back several times.

R. H. Allen 1909, won much applause and laughter with some comic sea songs. Both Hield and Allen were their own accompanists.

"Great Gott" 1910, got off an original monologue, "The Fireladdies of Spotless Town," which took fairly well with his audience. Gott worked in a few local hits that proved popular.

The orchestra played a few more selections and the "Agony Sextet" from the Tech went on the boards. The Tech's offering was a series of parodies on popular songs, written by D. Clapp 1910, which proved to be the hit of the evening. W. D. Green 1909, R. H. Ranger 1911, G. C. Kenny 1911, M. W. Hopkins 1911, W. J. Orchard 1910, V. Guillou 1912, and D. Clapp 1910, made up the septet. Two of the parodies, of which the second was the most popular, follow:

Tune—Take Me Out to the Ball Game.
Take me down to the Union,
Take me down for a feed;
Buy me Hamburger, bones and fat,
You will be lucky to get even that;
You must wait, wait for grub there;
I tell you right now I've a hunch,
If you're not starved you'll be choked
At the new Tech Lunch.

Take me down to the drill hall,
Take me there with the girls;
Watch the poor freshmen who look so
cute,
Each one thinks he's a handsome
recruit;
We will cheer, cheer, cheer for the
Major,
The biggest Tech Fusser we know,
If you lose your shoe you will get it
From Major Rowe.

L. S. Hooper 1912, and L. De Floriez 1911, as "Big Cheese Hooper" and "Little Cheeze Monk," ably seconded by G. B. Forrestall 1911, and R. H. Allen 1909, respectively, gave a boxing match. Little Cheeze Monk won out in the second round by a McCoy corkscrew to Hooper's left knee.

J. N. Stephenson 1909, told an anecdote and retired at once, thereby avoiding the hook.

G. B. Curwin 1911, and R. Greenleaf 1911, as "Dutch and Mike," gave a short sketch based on nothing in particular and were successful for that reason, receiving an encore.

D. R. Stevens 1911, told a story and was hooked in the middle of it, but was recalled and allowed to finish.

W. J. Orchard 1910, gave the rope dance from Tech Show, 1908.

A. D. Gring 1911, started a violin solo, but was instantaneously hooked.

The orchestra concluded the program. The selections played during the evening were, "The National Emblem," "Nymph Waltz," "Red Mill Waltzes," and "The Steel King." Practically all the men have had outside experience and the result is a well trained set of musicians.

C. E. Creecy 1910 was announciator, and he and Gring and Stevens were the only men hooked during the evening. O. B. Denison 1911, was accompanist.

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CROSS COUNTRY MEDALS AWARDED

First Five Men to Score at Princeton to Receive Medals for Work

MEN DESERVE THEM

Regular Institute Silver Medals Given in Recognition of Good Work

In recognition of the splendid work by the cross-country team at Princeton, the Advisory Council has awarded medals to the five men scoring points. These men are H. H. Howland 1908, L. O. Mills 1910, next year's captain, J. N. Stephenson 1909, E. Jacobs 1910, and C. P. Eldred 1911. They scored 8th, 19th, 22d, 24th, and 27th, respectively.

The men scoring on the first three teams are given gold, silver, and bronze medals, respectively. This year, if Tech had been running officially the I. C. A. A. A., silver medals would have come to the Institute, scoring as she did, second to Cornell. As it was Syracuse carried off the trophies. To compensate for this the regular Institute silver medals, suitably engraved, are to be given to the five men named.

Only once before has Tech earned the right to any of the medals, given for this race. That was two years ago, when Tech took third place, following Cornell and Pennsylvania. Application for membership in the I. C. A. A. A. has already been made and Technology will probably be admitted at the annual meeting next February.

It is worthy of note that both the victory over Harvard, and the defeat of Yale, Harvard, and the other colleges at Princeton, were due to good team work and a well balanced team.

With the exception of Howland, none of the men are of championship calibre, but by dint of good team work they managed to score well-bunched and fairly near the front. The fact that competition was so keen for the last few places on the team gives promise of a strong team next year in spite of the fact that four of this year's team, H. H. Howland, R. Ellis, J. N. Stephenson and J. F. McCarthy are seniors and are leaving the Institute next June.

COMMITTEE ELECTED

Gould—Avery—Reynolds and Hart Make up Prom Committee

As a result of the election held last week the committee in charge, consisting of W. H. Duffield, C. C. Hield, and W. D. Richardson, announce the following as the successful candidates for the Junior Prom Committee:—A. A. Gould of Newton Upper Falls, B. Reynolds of Somerville, J. Avery, Jr., of West Newton, and P. Hart of Portland, Ore.

A. A. Gould was on his class relay team two years, is treasurer of his class, and played cover point on last year's hockey team. B. Reynolds was manager of the 1910 relay team last year and was on the Institute Committee during his freshman and sophomore years. J. Avery was on the class relay team two years, was a member of the A. A. last year, and was reelected this year. P. Hart played football and managed the basketball team in his freshman year, and ran on the relay team last year.

F. D. Stewart, president of the junior class, is a member of the Prom Committee by virtue of his office.

EICHER REELECTED

A. Eicher, captain of the 1912 football team, was reelected to that position at an election held Saturday. Capt. Eicher kicked the goal which won the game against the sophomores, and the winning of the game decided Field Day in favor of the freshmen. The election of the captain was unanimous. There were no other nominations.

TECH SHOW WANTS MUSIC WRITERS

Large Number of Good Lyrics Submitted and are to be Given Out This Week

OLD COMPOSERS BACK

More Candidates for Assistant Advertising Managers Are Wanted

Music writers for the Show will begin work at once, as several lyrics have been provisionally selected and are to be given out for music this week. The lyrics submitted this year were much better than those sent in last year and a good score is promised if the composers do as well as is expected. There were 14 men at the meeting, Wednesday, of composers and a half a dozen more have since signified their intention of trying something in this line.

Of the old men who will write this year, O. B. Denison 1911, who wrote "Conspirators," "A Devil when Young," and several choruses for "Over the Garden Wall," is prominent. A. E. Thornley 1909, C. W. Hubbard 1909, and S. Altamirano 1909, also writers for last year's production, have expressed their intention of competing. H. A. Hale, Jr., 1910, has not given in his name, but may do some good work this year as he did last. There are many new men out whose ability is as yet an unknown quantity. It is hoped that more will compete as there are to be twenty odd numbers which will give all a chance.

The candidates for the music are:—A. E. Thornley 1909, C. W. Hubbard 1909, W. D. Green 1909, C. L. Tuller 1912, J. C. Fuller 1911, S. Altamirano 1909, R. R. Stanley 1911, G. H. Estes 1911, A. F. Leahy 1911, J. L. Champagne 1912, A. J. McDonald 1912, E. H. Schell 1912, L. T. Troland 1912, J. S. Martin 1912, K. Weeks 1912, R. P. Williams.

The poster for the play is due Jan. 1 and anyone who is drawing a poster should be sure to finish it during vacation. If there are any who are at work upon a drawing or intend to start one and have not seen the advertising manager, the following are the directions which should be carefully followed:—Drawing must be 40 inches by 22 inches, in two flat colors and black upon a white background. The words "Tech Show" and "That Pill Grimm" must be included in the design, and room left for the name of the theatre and dates to be printed in.

The competition for the assistant advertising managers is still open and sophomores or freshmen who wish to try for these positions should communicate at once with the advertising manager. This department consists largely in doing the press and advance work for the Show and is perhaps the most interesting of the departments. As yet but few men have come out and more are needed. Any underclass men who have a bit of time to spare are urged to enter this competition. After the vacation the work will begin in earnest and all who wish to compete should be sure to start in before then.

WIRELESS TELEPHONY

"Distinct audible speech has been transmitted over 200 miles by our system of wireless telephony," was the statement with which Mr. A. S. Stein, of the National Electric Signaling Company, prefaced his talk on "Recent Apparatus for Wireless Telephony," before the Boston section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, last Wednesday evening.

Mr. Stein took up the wireless telegraph in detail and showed how the idea of the wireless telephone was evolved from that. He also traced the recent developments which finally resulted in clear audible speech being transmitted from Plymouth to Jamaica, L. I., a distance of 200 miles.

PLANS FOR GYM TEAM ARRANGED

Three Old Men Back at Institute—H. S. Gott Smith—R. L. Cary

MANY CANDIDATES OUT

Technology is to be Represented Among Colleges by Team for First Time

The prospects for an excellent gym team here at the Institute are very bright. A large number of men have shown up and Captain H. S. Gott believes that our team will make a good showing this year. This is the first time that the Institute has engaged in regular meets with other colleges and everyone who has not yet come out for the team should do so in order that the team may be able to make as good a showing as possible.

H. S. Gott is very good on the horizontal bar and can be expected to hold his own with any one in any of the other colleges. He also is good on the mat.

H. S. Smith 1911, another man who was on last year's team, is very clever on the horse and is improving every day. R. L. Cary 1909, the only other man on last year's team, has won a New England championship on the horse and while he has not time enough to train regularly he shows up for work occasionally and can be depended on to do his share of the work.

Of the new men W. D. Allen 1911, who holds the Tech record at pole vaulting, is by all odds the best man on the bar and Gott expects him to do much better later on in the season.

Of the other new men the most promising are R. C. Jacobs 1910, who is the best acrobat on the mat; H. O. Maxwell 1912, a good all round man who is showing excellent form, and W. M. Schoffield 1910, who made a hit in the Tech Show in 1905. Other men who are out for the team are J. L. Bray 1912, J. H. White 1912, R. W. Jacoby 1910, and F. C. Mayers 1912.

An exhibition of the gym team will be given some time during the week of January 10. The exhibition will be held in the gym and admission will be free. Meets have already been arranged with Trinity, Williams, Tufts, Harvard and several of the local Y. M. C. A. teams.

NOYES TO RECEIVE

Arlo Bates to Read "Christmas Carol" on Christmas Eve

This year, following the usual custom, a reception will be held in the Union, Thursday evening by President Noyes to all those students remaining in the city. This reception is always looked upon as one of the big social events of the year and in the new quarters this year's Christmas Eve is expected to eclipse all others.

Professor Arlo Bates of the English department, will read Dickens' "Christmas Carol." "The Wassal Bowl," singing and other entertainment will make the evening most pleasant.

It has not been decided, however, whether or not the Union is to remain open during the entire Christmas recess.

CALENDAR

MONDAY, DEC. 21.

3:00 P. M.—Hockey team report at pond.
4:00 P. M.—Gym team practice.
8:00 P. M.—Chemical Society meeting at Union.

TUESDAY, DEC. 22.

1:00 P. M.—Fencing Team meet at 21 Rogers.
4:00 P. M.—Gym practice.

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The Tech takes pleasure in announcing the appointment of Charles Edward Green 1910, to the news staff.

The Tech finds it necessary to repeat that it cannot publish unsigned communications. A letter has been received from one signing himself "Observer," and The Tech requests that the writer leave his name with the editor-in-chief, that it may be printed with his communication.

On the ballots for the election of the senior portfolio committee there is put before the members of the class the question as to whether or not they will back the committee financially. This matter should receive careful and serious consideration. It seems only just that a class when choosing representatives to act for it should back them as its agents. At any rate there seems to be no reason for the existence of the present system of responsibility of the individual members of the portfolio committee. Would it not be fairer and make the portfolio more distinctly a class production if any losses incurred were to be made good from the class treasury and any profit turned to the class?

Arrangements for the engraving, printing, and binding of the portfolio are made through contract. If the class is to take upon itself the financial responsibility of the book these contracts should be made subject to the approval of its executive committee. This body has had in the past little to do; here is opportunity for it to give valuable service. The portfolio question is one of the most important of the senior year. Think it over.

ELECTS OFFICERS

The Institute Orchestra was formally organized Saturday afternoon at a business meeting, held in the Union. Officers—General manager, A. F. Thode 1908; secretary and treasurer, D. Belcher 1909; leader, M. K. Sweet 1909. The Executive Committee consists of the officers and L. C. Shaw 1909. At the meeting it was voted to tax each man twenty-five cents to purchase new music. Further taxes and fees to be left to the Executive Committee.

The orchestra comprises the following men:—First violins, M. K. Swett, A. M. Eisenberg, A. D. Gringe, Jr., H. W. Dawson, R. Exserian; second violins, R. E. Morse, G. E. Batchelder, H. S. Schaffer; piano, A. F. Thode; saxophone, W. N. Drew; cornets, S. L. Burgher, C. H. Lovejoy, R. O. Wood, H. L. Robinson, A. T. Freedman; flute, R. L. Devine; clarinet, D. Belcher; drum, T. Martin; cello, R. Inglee and L. C. Shaw.

It has been stated upon good authority that should the Institute move from its present site in the near future the Waltham Watch Company will occupy the Pierce, Lowell, Engineering A B and C buildings. Whether the watch company intends to buy or rent the property has not been stated.

BOLTWOOD LECTURES

Talks on Recent Developments in Radioactivity

Dr. Bertram B. Boltwood, assistant professor of physics at Yale University, gave a talk to students in Courses V and X on Thursday afternoon on "Recent Developments in Radioactivity." Dr. Boltwood has to his credit the discovery of a new radioactive element which he has named ionium, which appears to be the parent of the interesting element radium. Uranium X and uranium are the only known ancestors of ionium. Dr. Boltwood sketched the development of our knowledge of the radioactive elements, and discussed the recent experimental work which seems to disprove the earlier assertions of Prof. Ramsay regarding the degradation of copper to lithium, sodium, and potassium when exposed to radium emanation, with the simultaneous production of argon, which recently attracted so much notice.

COURSE X CHALLENGES

Senior Chemical Engineers Want Relay Race Jan. 2

Course X seniors think they can put out a relay team that will beat a similar aggregation from any course of any one year at the Institute. The idea of a course relay race was developed at the Gym Saturday afternoon, and Coach Kanaly thinks it a good chance for the men to do a little racing before the indoor meet. The challenge is thus formally issued to the students at Technology for a relay race to be run at the Gym Saturday, Jan. 2, at 4 P. M. The distance is 24 laps, approximately 1 1/4 miles, and is to be run in relays of three, five, seven and nine laps. Other courses are asked to send in acceptances as soon as possible to Course X team in care of the Cage.

TECH CLUB LECTURE

Mr. William Lyman Underwood will deliver his lecture "Hunting Big Game in New Brunswick with Canoe and Camera" before the Technology Club next Tuesday evening. He will show his splendid collection of colored slides.

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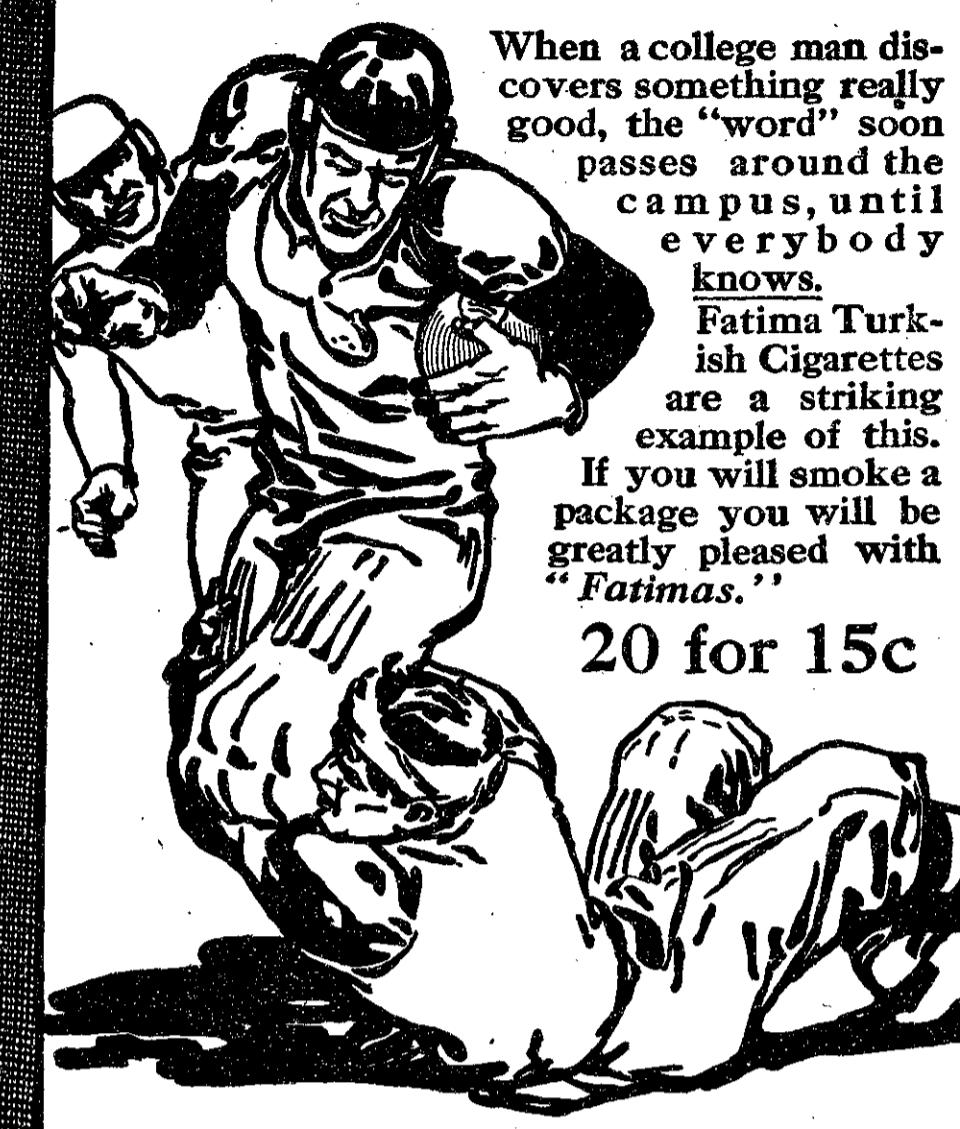
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Major Wheeler made the following appointments in the battalion Friday: To be second lieutenants—H. C. Davis 1911, and G. B. Forristall 1911. To be sergeant-major—H. S. Pierell 1912. To be sergeants—F. H. Busby 1912, and J. S. Selfridge 1912.

There is a large list of applicants for commissions, and in appointing the two commissioned officers, Major Wheeler has appointed men whom he thinks are best fitted for the positions, judging from their ability to command, previous work in the battalion, and quality of judgment. H. S. Pierell received the highest work on his examination.

F. H. Busby was promoted from the ranks, and J. S. Selfridge from a corporal in company A.

ALUMNI NOTES

Prof. George F. Swain 1877, John R. Freeman 1876, and Charles T. Main 1876, have been appointed by the council of the American Society of Mechanical Engineering at the request of the National Conservation Commission as a committee to assist that body in judging the value of water powers.

Henry A. Fiske 1891, manager of the special risk department of the Phoenix Insurance Company, will leave the employ of that concern on January 1 and will associate himself with the firm of Henry W. Brown & Co., of New York. Mr. Fiske graduated from course X in 1891 and from VI in 1892. After graduation he became an inspector of the underwriting bureau of New England and in time became manager, holding that office until he became connected with the Phoenix, about five years ago.

Ralph T. C. Jackson 1906, is about to open an office as an architect in Fall River. He supervised the construction of the recently completed Union hospital in that city.

Charles L. Lufkin 1908, left New York Dec. 5, for San Juan, P. R., where he has secured a fine position on a large sugar plantation.

REVOLVER PRACTICE

Revolver practice of the M. I. T. Revolver Club began last Saturday, and matches will continue weekly at the Boston Revolver Club range on Atlantic Avenue.

Fred M. Green 1909, has been elected executive officer and D. P. Marvin 1909, club treasurer. It is hoped to arrange a match in the near future with the revolver club of Harvard and possibly with some other college clubs.

MORE GRINDS WANTED

The Grind Department of Technique has received a great deal of excellent material and the outlook thus far is very encouraging. Drawings and more good anecdotes are wanted, however, and as the Grind Editor wants to look over material during the holidays all are urged to make contributions as soon as possible. A prize of five dollars is offered to the man sending in the best collection of grinds.

The engagement of Miss Helen Drew Ripley, of Harvard street, to Frederick Gardner Clapp 1901, of Pittsburg, formerly of Dorchester, is announced.

NOTICE

TRACK MEN—All who will be around Boston during Christmas week, be at the Gym for practice, from 2:30 to 4:30 P. M., on the following days:—Wednesday, Dec. 23; Saturday, Dec. 26; Monday, Dec. 28; Wednesday, Dec. 30.

HOOK NIGHT

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The Union Entertainment Committee wishes to thank all those who took part Friday evening, making Hook Night the success that it was. The orchestra is particularly mentioned.

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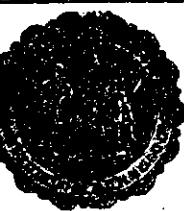
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